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March 12, 2021

Ms. Bridget Bean
Assistant Administrator
Grants Program Directorate
Federal Emergency Management Agency
400 C Street S.W., 3N
Washington, DC 20472-3635

**RE: Letter of Support – Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER)
Grant Program – Syracuse Fire Department, Syracuse, New York**

Dear Assistant Administrator Bean,

I am writing to express my support for the application submitted by the City of Syracuse Fire Department for financial assistance through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program.

The Syracuse Fire Department is requesting financial assistance through the SAFER program to hire twelve (12) additional firefighters. As outlined in the submitted application, the funding will be used to fill several vacancies in the department and will continue to allow the Syracuse Fire Department to provide adequate fire coverage.

I commend the Syracuse Fire Department for its efforts to provide and maintain a high level of fire and emergency services in the City of Syracuse. I am pleased to offer my strong support for the application submitted by the Syracuse Fire Department and ask that you give it your full and fair consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Katko".

John Katko
Member of Congress